ERBS Tilted Nonscanner Update

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<u>History of ERBS Nonscanner Record</u>



- ERBE nonscanner is one of the scientific instruments on the ERBS spacecraft
- ERBS was deployed and Launched on the Space Shuttle Challenger on 10/5/1984
- Retired on 10/14/2005 after 21year of service
- The ERBE/ERBS nonscanner operated nominally from 11/1984 to 9/1999;
 giving a high quality 15-year radiation budget (SW, LW, and Net) data set
- The ERBE/ERBS nonscanner record after 9/1999 is not released to the publics due to instrument anomaly occurred on 10/5/1999
- The missing 6-year ERBE/ERBS nonscanner data record (10/99 to 8/2005), if it can be recovered, can be very useful in tying the ERBE and the CERES SW record together





<u>Outlines</u>

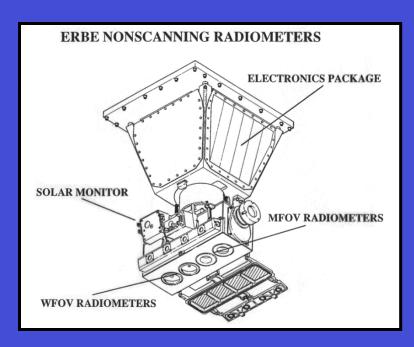
- Provide a description of the ERBS instrument anomaly that occurred on 10/5/1999 and how this affected the SW science data
- Highlight steps that we have taken to recover the last five years of ERBS nonscanner SW data record
- Show SW validation results between the recovered ERBE/ ERBS data record and the CERES SYN1deg data

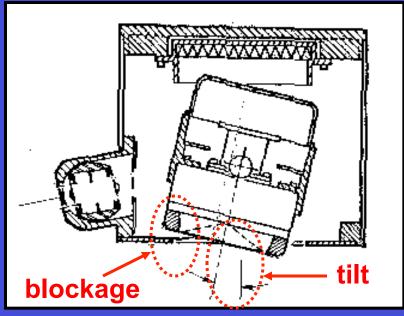




Description of the ERBS Instrument Problem

- ERBS nonscanner anomaly occurred on 10/5/1999 at the end of its calibration event with instrument stuck at an angle away from nadir
- Sensor FOV is partially blocked by the instrument housing
- Revised algorithm is required to remove this instrument tilt anomaly artifact from the ERBS scientific data record after 10/5/1999



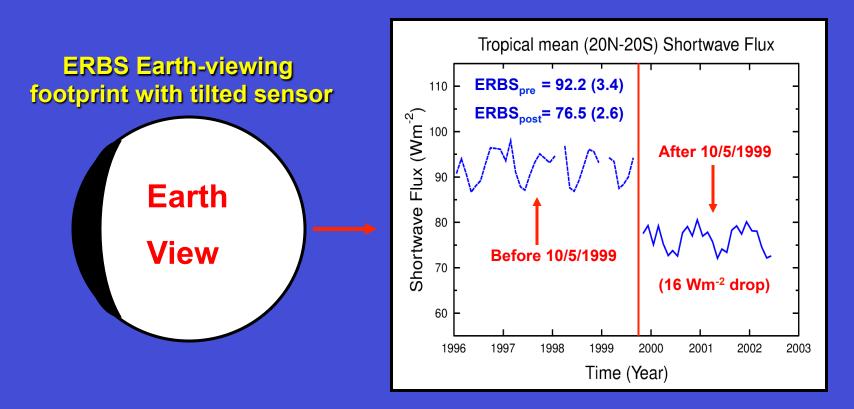






Instrument Tilt Anomaly Artifact

 The effect of the instrument tilt anomaly, if not corrected, will appear as a sharp drop in the reflected shortwave fluxes after 10/5/1999







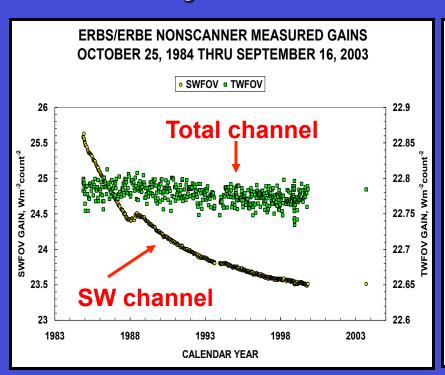
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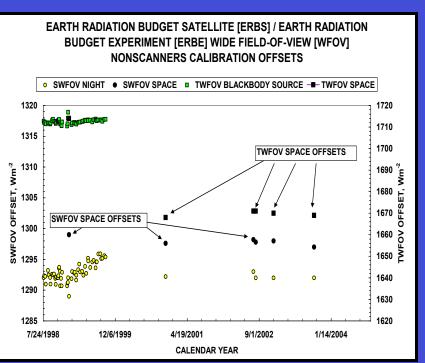




Instrument Calibration (Gain and Offset)

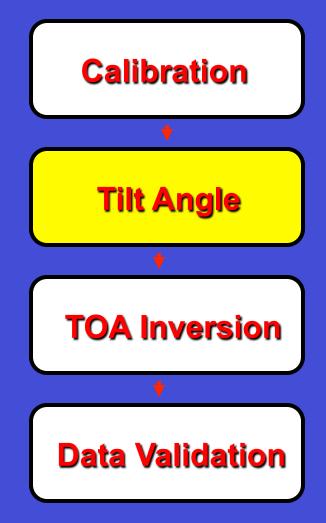
- ERBS nonscanner instrument calibration was re-established through special spacecraft pitch maneuver on 9/16/2003 by looking directly at the Sun and deep cold space (3 K)
- Nonscanner SW sensor gain and offset were essentially unchanged between 9/1999 and 9/2003















Instrument Tilt Angle Determination

- The tilt angle is defined by the angle between the ERBE/ERBS nonscanner optical axes and the spacecraft nadir.
- This angle is critical for removing instrument artifact in the TOA SW fluxes

Total Solar Irradiance (Wm⁻²)

Date	Total	SW	
~11/21/1984	1371.5	1353.1	
*11/21/1984	1373.7	1354.0	
~12/04/2002	1317.7	1194.3	
*09/16/2003	1372.6	1244.1	

[~] Azimuth setting of 0 degree

Tilt Angle = Cosine⁻¹ (TSI₂₀₀₂ / TSI₂₀₀₃)

	Total	SW
Tilt Angle (Degree)	16.2	16.2

Consistent with each other





^{*} Azimuth setting of 90 degrees

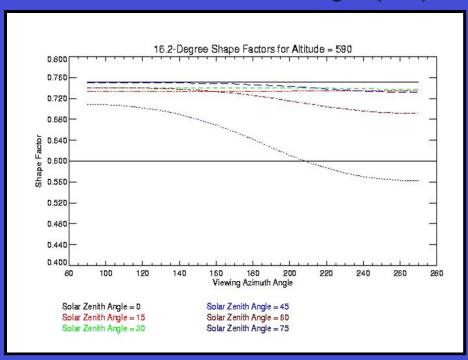
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ERBS Nonscanner SW Inversion

- ERBS SW inversion algorithm inverts the SW measurement at satellite into SW flux at top of the atmosphere (TOA)
- SW_{toa} is determined by SW_{sat}, instrument tilt angle (ta), satellite altitude (alt), solar zenith angle (sza), and satellite relative azimuth angle (raa)



SW_{toa}= SW_{sat} / Factor (ta, alt, sza, raa)

	9/30/1999	10/6/1999	
Factor	0.88	< 0.76	



The lower value of the inversion "Factor" will increase the SW_{toa}



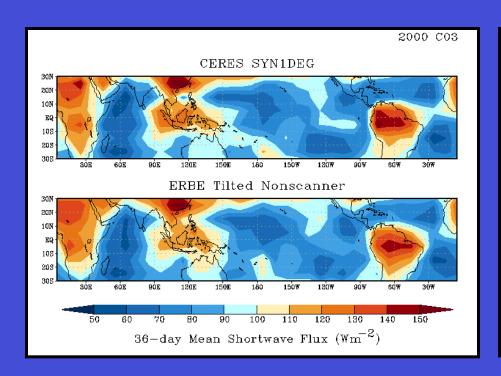


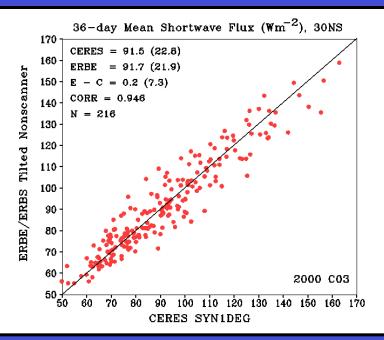
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Regional Comparison: 36-day Cycle03 2000



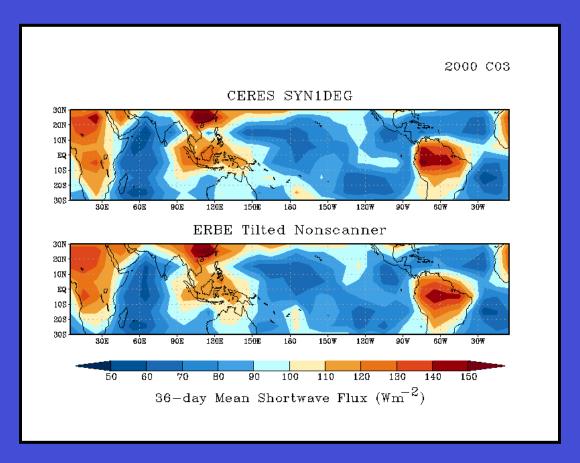


Time	N	CERES	ERBE	E minus C	CORR
2000C03	216	91.5 (22.8)	91.7 (21.9)	0.2 (7.3)	0.946





Time-Space Comparison: 2000C03 to 2002C05



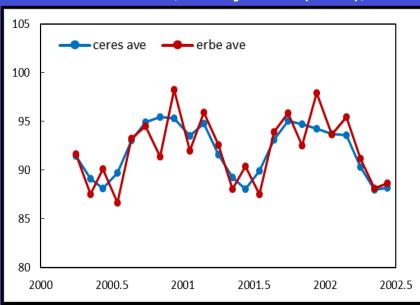
 The ERBS tilted nonscanner data matches well with the time-space pattern of CERES SYN1deg data; spatial correlation ~ 0.93 to 0.97



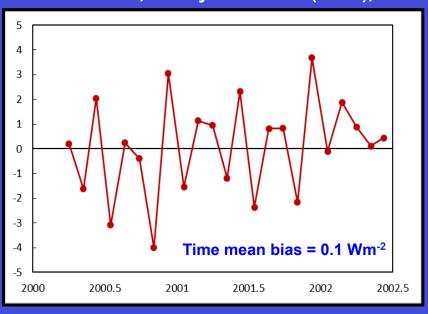


Tropical Mean Time Series: 2000C03 to 2002C05

ERBE vs. CERES, 36-day mean (Wm⁻²), 30NS



ERBE - CERES, 36-day mean bias (Wm⁻²), 30NS

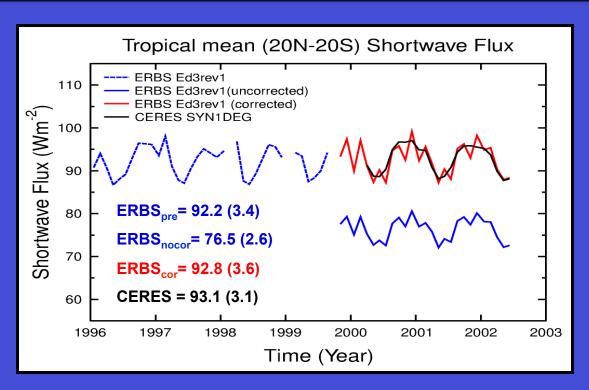


- The tropical (30NS) time series shows very good agreements between ERBS tilted nonscanner and CERES SYN1deg data
- The nonscanner data is a bit noisy with bias (ERBE-CERES) between -3 to 4 Wm⁻² during the 2000-2002 period. Time averaged bias ~ 0.1 Wm⁻²





20N to 20S Mean Reflected Shortwave Radiation



- The revised algorithm moves the ERBS post-anomaly time series back to the same radiometric level as the pre-anomaly data
- The recovered ERBS nonscanner time series also matches well with the overlapping CERES SYN1deg data





<u>Summary</u>

- The recovery of the ERBS SW record from 10/1999 to 8/2005 is almost completed
- The SW calibration is determined to be unchanged between 9/1999 and 9/2003 based on solar and deep space view data
- The tilt angle is determined to be 16.2 degree from spacecraft nadir using solar calibration data
- TOA inversion algorithm is revised to take into account of both the tilt angle and the partial sensor FOV blockage by the instrument housing
- Time-space validation of the recovered ERBS record (3/2000 to 6/2002) with CERES SYN1deg data shows excellent results
- Additional validations for the remaining data (7/2002 to 8/2005)
 will be performed to complete this study



